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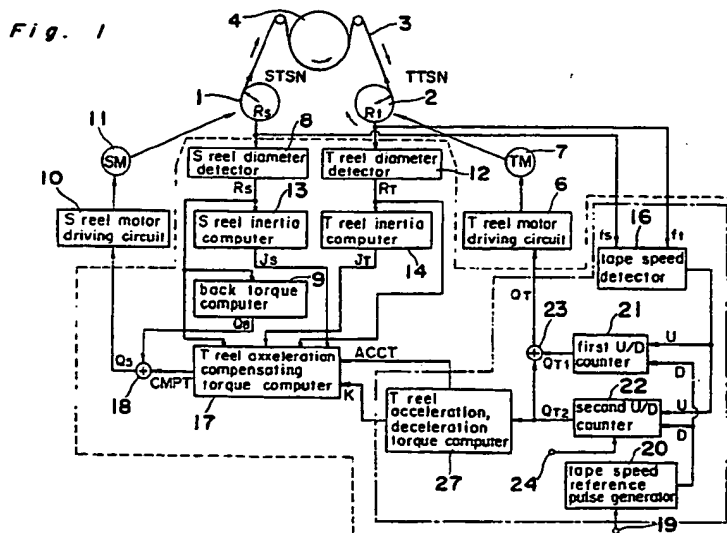
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⑤4 Tape driving apparatus for tape medium record reproducing apparatus.

57) The present invention is provided both the S, T reel diameter detectors so as to compute the inertia of both the reels, wherein the acceleration, deceleration torque information spent in the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel is detected from the T reel torque information so as to compute the T reel acceleration, deceleration compensating torque from

the acceleration, deceleration torque information, both the reel diameters, the inertia information, and the S reel torque is controlled with the information with the computed results and the back torque information proportional to the S reel diameter being added in it. Thus improving the access property of the tape.



BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention generally relates to a tape driving apparatus for controlling the transportation of a tape medium by a supply reel and a winding reel.

In recent years, a highly efficient tension control art which prevents the tape damages is demanded, because the thinner tendency of the tape is remarkable in the tape driving apparatus. Also, the tape driving mechanism is also simplified with the demands for smaller size, lighter weight, thinner size of the apparatus being provided. Therefore, the tape driving apparatus is provided which is simplified in mechanism without provision of the tension detecting sensor of the tape.

The conventional tape driving apparatus (hereinafter a VTR will be described as a representative by way of example) is shown in, for example, Japanese Patent Application Publication Tokkaisho NO. 60 - 163258.

The conventional tape tension controlling method will be described hereinafter. The conventional tape tension controlling method is to constantly control the tape tension by the application, upon the supply reel diameter, of the back torque proportional to the supply reel diameter. The principle thereof will be described. The formula is as follows.

$$\text{STSN} \times R_s = Q_s \quad (1)$$

wherein

STSN: tape tension in supply reel
R2: supply reel radius
Q2: supply reel motor torque

Therefore, it is found out that the torque proportional to the supply reel diameter has only to be applied upon the supply reel motor in order to retain the tape tension STSN constant when the tape is transported at a constant speed.

But the above described construction has the following problems. Namely, the VTR has not only the modes of the recording, and the normal reproduction, but also the operation modes called a jog, shuttle. The tape speeds except for the tape speed at the normal reproduction time exist, with the tape acceleration and deceleration being repeated. At this time, in the method of applying the torque proportional to the above described supply reel diameter, the tape tension may be retained constant under the conditions where the tape is transported at the constant speed, with the fluctuations of the dynamic tension to be caused by the acceleration, the deceleration of the tape being impossible to be suppressed. In the conventional tape driving apparatus, the acceleration, deceleration responses are delayed in the acceleration, deceleration of the tape so as to reduce the fluctuations of the tension.

Therefore, the transportation of the tape to the object point of the tape is delayed so as to sacrifice the access property of the tape.

The tape driving apparatus to be used for the external memory apparatus of the computer will be described hereinafter in the conventional embodiment. In the tape driving apparatus described in Japanese Patent Publication Tokkosho No. 59-20178, the current for driving the reel motor is divided into three components such as acceleration current, tension current, drag current in the acceleration, the deceleration of the tape. The reel radius and the inertia are detected, and further the tape acceleration speed is obtained from the target speed to be controlled, the present tape speed and the tape acceleration from the enacted time, with a method of computing, setting the driving current of the reel so that the tape tension may become constant.

But in the above described construction, the tape running loads changes with the changes in environment where the tape driving apparatus is provided, with the aging, the drag current component does not become constant, with a problem that the tape tension has been changed. In order to correct the problem, the tension detection sensor is provided to correct it. Accordingly, it interferes with the smaller size and the lighter weight of the apparatus.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Accordingly, the present invention has been developed with a view to substantially eliminating the above discussed drawbacks inherent in the prior art, and has for its essential object to provide an improved tape driving apparatus for a tape medium record reproducing apparatus.

Another important object of the present invention is to provide an improved tape driving apparatus for a tape medium record reproducing apparatus, which is adapted to effect the tension control in the construction except for the tension detecting sensor so as to contribute towards the smaller size and lighter weight of the tape driving apparatus.

Still another object of the present invention is to provide an improved tape driving apparatus for a tape medium record reproducing apparatus, which is adapted to quicken the acceleration, deceleration of the tape so as to improve the access property. Also, the tape speed detector such as timer roller or the like is removed in the tape speed controlling operation so as to contribute towards the smaller size and the lighter weight of the tape driving apparatus.

In accomplishing these and other objects, according to one preferred embodiment of the

present invention, there is provided a tape driving apparatus which comprises a supply reel diameter detecting means for detecting the radius information R_s of the supply reel, a winding reel diameter detecting means for detecting the radius information R_t of the winding reel, a supply reel inertia computing means for computing the information J_s corresponding to the inertia of the supply reel under the radius information R_s of the supply reel, a winding reel inertia computing means for computing the information J_t corresponding to the inertia of the winding reel under the radius information R_t of the winding reel, a winding reel acceleration torque detecting means for detecting the information ACCT corresponding to the torque amount spent in the acceleration, deceleration of the winding reel, a winding reel acceleration compensating torque computing means for computing the acceleration compensating torque information CMPT corresponding to the acceleration, deceleration of the winding reel by the use of the radius information R_s , R_t of both the reels, the inertia information J_s , J_t of both the reels, the winding reel acceleration torque information ACCT, a back torque computing means for computing the back torque information Q_B proportional to the radius information R_s of the feed reel, an adding means for adding the back torque information Q_B and the acceleration compensating torque information CMPT.

In the above described construction of the present invention, the static tension fluctuations which are caused by the changes in the reel diameter are corrected by the back torque information Q_B to be computed from the radius information R_s of the supply reel. Also, the dynamic tension fluctuations which are caused by the acceleration, deceleration in the reel diameter are suppressed by the acceleration compensating torque information CMPT, so that the tension control may be realized without the use of the tension detecting sensor.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

These and other objects and features of the present invention will become apparent from the following description taken in conjunction with the preferred embodiments thereof with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which;

Fig. 1 is a block diagram showing the construction of a tape driving apparatus in a first embodiment of the present invention;

Fig. 2 is a characteristic chart showing one example of the characteristics of the S reel inertia J_s with respect to the S reel radius information R_s ;

Fig. 3 is a characteristic chart showing one example of the characteristics of the T reel inertia J_t with respect to the T reel radius in-

formation R_t ;

Fig. 4 is a characteristic chart showing one example of an acceleration compensating coefficient $(R_t \cdot J_s / R_s \cdot J_t)$ with respect to the S reel radius information R_s ;

Fig. 5 is a characteristic chart showing the characteristics of the total information of the rotation frequency of both the reels in the transportation of the constant tape speed, and of the tape winding diameter;

Fig. 6 is a characteristic chart showing the relationship between the T reel driving information Q_t to be fed to the T reel motor driving circuit 6 in Fig. 1 and the caused torque of the T reel motor 7;

Fig. 7 is a wave form chart showing the relationship of the various information signals of a tape speed control system in Fig. 1 when the target tape speed has been accelerated, decelerated;

Fig. 8 is a wave form chart for illustrating the operation of a second U/D counter 22 in Fig. 1;

Fig. 9 (a) to (e) are flow charts when the block 26 in Fig. 1 is composed of microcomputers.

Fig. 10 is a block diagram showing the construction of the tape driving apparatus in a second embodiment of the present invention; and

Fig. 11 is a flow chart in a case where the block in Fig. 1 is composed of microcomputers.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Before the description of the present invention proceeds, it is to be noted that like parts are designated by like reference numerals throughout the accompanying drawings.

In the present invention, the torque of the S reel motor is controlled with the error information with the back torque information proportional to the S reel diameter and the acceleration compensating torque information for suppressing the tension fluctuations to be caused by the acceleration, deceleration of the tape transportation being added in it.

Referring now to the drawings, there is shown in Fig. 1, the block diagram of a tape driving apparatus in a first embodiment of the present invention, according to a first embodiment of the present invention, which includes a supply reel 1 (hereinafter referred to as S reel), a winding reel (hereinafter referred to as T reel), with the tape 3 being wound around a drum 4 (which is rotating in the arrow mark direction shown) mounted on the rotary magnetic head (not shown) and being transported in the direction of the arrow mark. A T reel motor driving circuit 6 causes in a T reel motor (hereinafter referred to as TM) 7 the torque proportional to the T reel motor torque information Q_t to be fed. A S reel diameter detector 8 outputs the information R_s proportional to the radius of the S

reel 1. A back torque computer 9 for outputting the back torque information Q_B to an adder 18 through the computing operation shown in the (1) formula. A S reel motor driving circuit 10 is adapted to operate so as to cause in the S reel motor (hereinafter referred to as SM) the torque proportional to the S reel torque information Q_S to be fed from the adder 18. A T reel radius detector 12 for detecting the information R_T corresponding to the reel radius of the T reel 2, a S reel inertia computer for computing the S reel inertia J_S in accordance with the radius information R_S of the S reel, a T reel inertia computer 14 for computing the the T reel inertia J_T under the radius information R_T of the T reel, a T reel acceleration, deceleration torque detector 15 (which is a block surrounded with one dot chain lines) for detecting the torque spent in the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel 1 from a method of the speed controlling of the T reel to be described later, a tape speed detector 16 for detecting the tape speed and generating pulses with the frequency proportional to the detection result, a T reel acceleration compensating torque computer 17 for effecting the acceleration compensating computing operation so as to compensate the tension variation to be caused in the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel 1, an adder 18 for adding the back torque information Q_B proportional to the S reel diameter and the T reel acceleration compensating torque information CMPT, a terminal 19 for feeding the tape speed instructions as the target, a tape speed reference pulse generator 20 for generating the pulses of the frequency proportional to the target tape speed fed from the terminal 19, first, second up down counters (hereinafter referred to as U/D counters) 21, 22 for connecting the clock pulses fed from the tape speed detector 16 to a count up terminal, and the clock pulses to be fed from the tape speed reference pulse generator 20 to a count down terminal, an adder 23 for adding the output information Q_{T1} of the first U/D counter 21 and the output information Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22, a terminal 24 for latching the output information Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22 for each constant time period so as to feed the timing signal which is adapted to initialize the value of the counter immediately after it. A T reel acceleration, deceleration torque computer 27 for inputting the output information Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22 and outputting to the T reel acceleration compensating torque computer 17 the acceleration, deceleration torque information ACCT of the T reel and the proportional constant K to be described later.

The back torque information Q_B proportional to the S reel diameter is obtained through the S reel diameter detector 8, the back torque computer 9 and is fed to the adder 18 as in the description of

the conventional embodiment.

The correction of the tension fluctuations in the acceleration, deceleration of the tape transportation will be described hereinafter.

The dinetic formulas of both the S, T reels are as follows.

$$J_S \times a_{\omega S} = Q_S - R_S \times STSN \quad (2)$$

$$J_T \times a_{\omega T} = Q_T - R_T \times TTSN \quad (3)$$

wherein

R_S :	S reel radius
R_T :	T reel radius
J_S :	S reel inertia
J_T :	T reel inertia
STSN:	tape tension of the S reel
TTSN:	tape tension of the T reel
Q_T :	T reel motor torque
ω_S :	S reel rotation angle speed
ω_T :	T reel rotation angle speed
$a_{\omega S}$:	S reel rotation acceleration
$a_{\omega T}$:	T reel rotation acceleration

The relation between the tape tension STSN of the S reel and the tape tension TTSN of the T reel is

$$TTSN = a \times STSN \quad (4)$$

wherein the a is a proportion coefficient determined with a tape running pass.

Also, the tape speed V is as follows.

$$V = R_S \times \omega_S = R_T \times \omega_T \quad (5)$$

In order to maintain the tape tension constant if the rotation acceleration $a_{\omega S}$ of the S reel changes at the tape acceleration and deceleration time from the (2) formula, the correcting torque dQ_S (change portion of the Q_S) has only to be established as in the following formula.

$$dQ_S = J_S \times da_{\omega S} \quad (6)$$

wherein the $da_{\omega S}$ is the variation portion of the $a_{\omega S}$. From the (5) formula, the relation of both the S, T reel rotation accelerations is as follows.

$$da_{\omega T} = (R_S / R_T) \times da_{\omega S} \quad (7)$$

From the (3) formula, the following formula is established in the condition where the tape tension is controlled constant.

$$da_{\omega T} = dQ_T / J_T \quad (8)$$

The proportional coefficient a of the (4) formula is different in the transportation direction of the tape. This is because the running load is different when the tape is transported in the same direction as the

rotation direction of the drum 4 and it is transported in the opposite direction, further the tape is restrained in running in a post for winding the tape 3 around the drum 4, and so on. Thus, a proportional coefficient k corresponding to the tape running load is introduced.

The S reel motor correcting torque dQ_s for suppressing the tension fluctuations is as follows.

$$dQ_s = K(R_T / R_s) \times (J_s / J_T) \times dQ_T \quad (9)$$

Namely, detect both the S, T reel diameters, the inertia, the acceleration, deceleration torque fluctuation amount of the T reel motor, and effect the torque connection shown in the (9) formula upon the S reel motor, and the dynamic tension fluctuation accompanied by the acceleration, the deceleration of the tape may be controlled.

The above described tension control will be described with reference to Fig. 1.

In Fig. 1, reference numeral 8 is a S reel diameter detector, to which the information R_s corresponding to the S reel radius is outputted. Likewise, the information R_T corresponding to the T reel radius is outputted to the T reel diameter detector 12. In the S reel inertia computer 13, the inertia J_s of the S reel 1 is computed under the S reel radius information R_s .

Generally the inertia J of the reel is shown the (10) formula.

$$J = J_{fix} + J_{var} \quad (10)$$

J : reel inertia
 J_{fix} : inertia (invariant to the reel diameter) of the reel motor, the empty reel inertia and so on.
 J_{var} : tape inertia (proportional to the reel diameter)

$$J_{var} = K_1 \times (R^4 - R_h^4) \quad (11)$$

K_1 : constant
 R : reel radius
 R_h : reel hub radius

If the reel radius R may be measured from the (10), (11) formulas, the reel inertia J may be computed.

The S reel inertia information J_s is computed in accordance with the (10) formula by the S reel inertia computer 13. The T reel inertia information J_T is computed in accordance with the (11) formula by the T reel inertia computer 14. Fig. 2 is a characteristic chart showing the operation result of the S reel inertia J_s corresponding to the

radius information R_s of the S reel 1. Fig. 3 is a characteristic chart (the axis of abscissas is shown in the order from the maximum radius to the hub radius so as to correspond to the S reel radius) of the radius information R_T of the T reel 2 and the T reel inertia J_T .

The control of the T reel motor 7 will be described before the detecting method of the torque information to be spent on the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel 2 is described.

Since the shuttle mode exists in the VTR as described hereinabove, a plurality types of tape target speeds exist. In the control for driving the winding side reel, the actual tape speed is detected so as to become a target tape speed given from the system control and so on so as to detect the error signal with respect to the target speed. The error signal is feedbacked on the T reel motor driving circuit to effect the tape speed controlling.

The tape speed control will be described in accordance with the Fig. 1.

The rotation pulses f_s , f_t of the frequencies to proportional to the rotation of both the reels are inputted to the tape speed detector 16 in Fig. 1 so as to detect the tape speed from the rotation frequencies of both the reels. The rotation frequencies of both the reels are used in the detection of the tape speed as known. Even in the present embodiment, it is composed of an example in using the total information of both the reel rotation frequencies.

Fig. 5 is a relationship chart showing the relation among the tape speed, the total information $f_s + f_t$ of both the reel rotation frequencies and the tape winding diameter. When the tape speed shows V_1 and V_2 ($V_1 < V_2$), it is found out that the total information $f_s + f_t$ of both the reel rotation frequencies are proportional if the tape winding diameter is in the same place. If the tape speed reference information to be controlled is corrected from the tape winding diameter information, it is possible to control the tape speed constantly from the winding start to the winding end.

Fig. 6 is a relationship chart showing the relation between the T reel driving information Q_T to be fed to the T reel motor driving circuit 6 in Fig. 1 and the torque-to-be-caused of the T reel motor 7. When the T reel driving information Q_T is at the center, the generated torque of the T reel motor is zero. As the value of the driving information Q_T becomes smaller, the generated torque becomes larger in the direction along which the tape is tightened up in the winding. Conversely, as the value of the driving information Q_T becomes larger, the generated torque becomes larger in a direction along which the tape is delivered.

The controlling of the tape speed at the target speed will be described hereinafter with reference

to Fig. 1 and Fig. 7.

Fig. 7 (a) shows the tape speed instructions to change as time passes, wherein time t_0 to t_1 , time t_1 to t_2 , time t_2 to t_3 are respectively acceleration, fixed speed, deceleration in the tape speed instructions. Also, the (b), (c), (d) shows the changes in the output information Q_{T1} of a first U/D counter 21, the output information Q_{T2} of a second U/D counter 22, the output information Q_T of the adder 23.

In Fig. 1, the tape speed instructions are fed to the tape speed reference pulse generator from the terminal 19 with the clock pulses corresponding to the target speed being fed onto the side of the count down both at the first, second U/D counters 21, 22. In the condition where the tape is at its stop or is transported slower than the control target speed, the frequencies of the clock pulses connected onto the side of the count up of the respective U/D counters 21, 22 from the tape speed detector 16 are slower than the frequencies of the clock pulses connected onto the side of the count down, so that the counter values of the first, second U/D counters 21, 22 become lower. The output information Q_T of the adder 23 is also lowered, so that the T reel motor driving circuit 6 is operated to increase the tape speed.

Conversely, if the tape speed is faster than the speed instructions, the values of the first, second U/D counter 21, 22 become larger. As a result, the generated torque of the T reel motor 7 is operated in the direction along which the tape speed is decreased. In this manner, the tape speed is controlled so as to conform to the given tape speed instructions.

Here the operation of the second U/D counter 22 will be described.

Fig. 8 shows the wave form charts showing the relationship among the second U/D counter value, the sampling pulse to be fed from the terminal 24, and the output Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22. As shown in the (b), the sampling pulse is fed at the constant period T_R to the second U/D counter 22, the value Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22 in the timing is outputted, the output value is retained until the timing of the next sampling. The value of the second U/D counter 22 is set to the initial value (the value of the center in the present embodiment) as shown in the (a) after the sampling, and effects the count up, and the count down until the next sampling pulse comes. The (c) shows the output information Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22.

The second U/D counter 22 is operated as described hereinabove so that the differentiated information of the value of the first U/D counter 21 may be obtained.

By the use of two U/D counters in construction as described hereinabove, such effects as de-

scribed hereinabove are caused.

(1) As the tape speed control system is a secondary system of control system, the application of the differentiated information upon the error information Q_T to be fed to the winding side motor means that the operation of adding the phase leading element has been applied upon the control error signal so as to improve the stability of the control system.

(2) The second U/D counter output information Q_{T2} shows the acceleration, deceleration torque information of the T reel 2. It is easier to use the information for the control of the tension to be described in the following.

(3) The acceleration, deceleration torque information of the T reel 2 may be correctly detected if the environment changes in the tape driving apparatus and the tape running load changes. The torque information change portion of the T reel 2 by the change in the tape running load is absorbed as change in the first U/D counter 21. Therefore, it shows the acceleration, deceleration torque information of the T reel 2 to the second U/D counter 22. It can be used for the information to correct the tension fluctuations accompanied by the acceleration, deceleration of such T reel as described later.

The detection of the torque amount spent in the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel 2 is effected by the T reel acceleration, deceleration torque detector 15. The T reel acceleration, deceleration torque detector 15 is composed of a tape speed detector 16 for detecting the actual tape speed from the rotation pulses f_s , f_t of both the reels, a tape speed reference pulse generator 20 for generating the pulses of the frequency proportional to the target speed instructions to be fed from the terminal 19, first, second U/D counters 21, 22 and the adder 23, and a T reel acceleration, deceleration torque computer 27. The output information Q_{T2} of the second U/D counter 22 is fed to the T reel acceleration, deceleration torque computer 27 so as to effect the polarity discrimination as to whether the direction is the accelerating direction or the decelerating direction from the information Q_{T2} , and the proportional coefficient information K and the torque information $ACCT$ equivalent to the torque amount spent in the acceleration, deceleration operations are outputted to the T reel acceleration compensating torque computer 17.

Both the S, T reel radius information R_s , R_t , both the reel inertia information J_s , J_t , the T reel acceleration, deceleration torque information $ACCT$, the proportional coefficient information K are inputted to effect the operation shown in the (9) formula and to compute the torque correcting information $CMPT$ of the S reel motor 11 for effecting the

tension suppression to be fluctuated in the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel. Fig. 4 is a characteristic chart showing the operational results of the acceleration correcting coefficients $(R_T \cdot J_S) / (R_S \cdot J_T)$ corresponding to the radius information R_S of the S reel. The torque correcting information CMPT is obtained through multiplication of the acceleration compensating coefficients $(R_T \cdot J_S) / (R_S \cdot J_T)$ by the T reel acceleration torque information ACCT, the proportional coefficient K.

The back torque information Q_B proportional to the S reel diameter is fed to the adder 18 so as to add it to the torque correcting information CMPT to be outputted from the T reel acceleration compensating torque computer 17 by the adder 18. The addition results Q_S are outputted to the S reel motor driving circuit 10 as the tension control error information.

Although the construction does not use the tension detecting sensor, the tension changes by the static winding diameter difference and the dynamic tension fluctuations to be caused by the tape acceleration, deceleration may be suppressed in the above described tension control system.

The microcomputer and the digital * signal * processor have the functions of various operations, information storing, timer and so on, are used widely in the electronic appliances. Even in the present embodiment, the block 26 surrounded by the dotted lines of Fig. 1 may be composed of microcomputers, digital * signal * processors, thus contributing towards the smaller size, lighter weight, smaller space of the circuit in this case.

Also, in the inertia operation of the reel to be used in the tension control, it may be constructed to effect the table retrieving of the results operated in advance so as to shorten the operating time.

Fig. 9 (a) to (e) are flow charts wherein the block 26 surrounded with the dotted lines in Fig. 1 is composed of microcomputers. The processings are divided into five blocks.

The S reel FG pulses are inputted to the external interruption terminal 0 terminal, and the T reel FG pulses are inputted to the external interruption 1 so as to start the interruption processings of the IRQ0, IRQ1 at the edges of the respective pulses.

Also, the microcomputer is adapted to start in two timers. The interruption period of the first timer interruption processing timer 0 is varied by the operation of the value of the interrupt control counter counted by the main processing. The second timer interruption processing timer 1 is set to cause the interruption at a constant period.

The processing of the main processing will be described hereinafter. When the shuttle mode is selected, the microcomputer permits the external interruption 0 and the external interruption 1 (processing 901). The timer 0, the timer 1 are

started (processing 902). The diameters R_S , R_T of both the reels are calculated from the FG pulses of both the reels and the tape total amount data, the tape thickness data (processing 903). The respective inertias J_S , J_T are calculated in accordance with the result obtained by the processing 903 (processing 904). When the calculating operation is complicated, and the computing time becomes long, it is possible to effect the table retrieving operation with the data counted in advance being accommodated in the ROM. The back torque Q_B is operated with the use of the S reel diameter R_S obtained by the processing 903 (processing 905). In the processing 906, the operation of the acceleration compensating coefficients is effected with the use of the R_S , R_T , J_S , J_T obtained by the processings 903, 904. In the processing 907, the multiplication of the acceleration compensating coefficients obtained by the processing 906 and the T reel acceleration torque Q_{t2} , the coefficient K to be detected by the processing of the timer 1 are effected, so that the T reel acceleration compensating torque CMPT is obtained. In the processing 908, the back torque Q_B obtained by the processing 905 is added to the T reel acceleration compensating torque CMPT obtained by the processing 907 so as to obtain the S reel torque Q_S . In the processing 909, the interruption period of the timer 0 corresponding to the control target tape speed is counted so as to store on the timer 0 control counter the value corresponding to the result. The calculation is operated from the control target tape speed and both the reel diameters as shown in Fig. 5. By the operation result of the processing 909, the timer 0 causes the interruption processing at the period corresponding to the control target tape speed, the tape winding condition (winding start through the winding end). In the main processing, the operation of the processing 909 is repeated from the processing 903.

The operation of the timer 0 processing will be described hereinafter.

When the interruption of the timer 0 is caused, the first, second up down counters Q_{t1} , Q_{t2} (RAM within the microcomputer) are respectively counted down (processing 910). The timer 0 control counter computed by the main processing 909 is set (processing 911) to start the timer 0 (processing 912) so as to prepare for the next interruption.

The external interruption processings IRQ0, IRQ1 will be described hereinafter. When the edges of the S, T reel FG pulses are inputted to generate the interruption processing, the first, second up down counters Q_{t1} , Q_{t2} are respectively counted up (processing 913, processing 915) so as to prepare for the next interruption processings (processing 914, processing 916).

The operation of the timer 1 will be described

hereafter.

In the timer 1 interruption processing to be generated for each constant time period, the T reel acceleration torque information is detected. When the interruption is caused, the value of the second up down counter Qt2 of that time is sampled (processing 917), the value is used for the main processing as the T reel acceleration torque information. Therefore, the second up down counter Qt2 is initialized (processing 918). The T reel torque Qt is obtained by the addition between the value of the second up down counter Qt2 sampled and the value of the first up down counter Qt1 (processing 919). The timer 1 is started in preparation for the next interruption (processing 920).

By such a series of processings, the block 26 surrounded by the dotted lines in Fig. 1 may be easily composed of the microcomputers.

According to the above described embodiment, by the provision of adding the torque proportional to the supply reel diameter and the compensating torque for suppressing the tension fluctuations in the acceleration, deceleration of the winding reel, the tape damage may be prevented at the transient time of accelerating, decelerating of the tape, instead of at the steady transporting time. Also, the tape speed may be stably controlled in the construction where the U/D counter is provided by two through the detection of the tape speed from the rotation pulses of both the reels. The construction may be effected without the tape speed detection sensor such as timer roller or the like.

Fig. 10 is a block diagram of a tape driving apparatus in a second embodiment of the present invention. In the difference between the first embodiment and the second embodiment is in the construction of the T reel acceleration, deceleration torque detecting means 15.

In Fig. 10, the T reel acceleration, deceleration torque detecting means 15 is composed of the T reel torque differentiation computer 28 and the constant generator 29. The T reel motor torque information QT which is fed from the terminal 5 is inputted to the T reel torque differentiation computer 28. The information ACCT of the differentiated T reel torque information is outputted to the T reel acceleration compensating torque computer 17. Also, the output information ACCT of the T reel differentiation computer 28 is inputted to the constant generator 29 to effect the polarity differentiation, so that the proportional constant K corresponding to the results is outputted to the T reel acceleration compensating torque computer 17.

As clear even from the above described (9) formula, the T reel acceleration compensating torque information CMPT may be obtained as in the description of the first embodiment if the differentiation information of the T reel motor torque

information QT is obtained.

Fig. 11 is a flow chart where the block 30 surrounded by the dotted lines in Fig. 10 is composed of computers.

The processings are largely divided into two blocks between the main processing and the timer 1 processing. After the starting of the timer 1 in the main processing (processing 1101), the processings (processing 903 through processing 908) similar to Fig. 9 are effected.

The timer 1 causes the interrupting processing for each constant time, and the following processings are effected. When the interruption of the timer 1 is caused, the T reel motor torque information QT is read and the read information is stored as the QT (NEW) (processing 1102). Then, the information QT (OLD) stored in the previous interruption and the difference information of the information QT (NEW) are computed (processing 1103). The difference information is used with the main processing as the T reel torque acceleration, deceleration torque information ACCT. The data is renewed in preparation for the next differentiation operation ($QT(OLD) - QT(NEW)$ processing 1104). Finally, the timer 1 is started (processing 920) so as to complete the processing of the timer 1.

In such a series of processings, it may easily constitute the block 30 in Fig. 10 with microcomputers.

As described hereinabove, the present invention is provided with a supply reel diameter detecting means, a winding reel diameter detecting means, a supply reel inertia operating means, a winding reel inertia operating means, a winding reel acceleration, deceleration torque detecting means, a winding reel acceleration compensating torque operating means, a back torque operating means, an adding means, so that it may become possible to stably control the tension with a tension control system which does not use the tension detection center, may become possible to stably control the tape speed in the construction which does not use the tape speed detection sensor. The tape driving apparatus is simplified, is made smaller, lighter. The tape damages are prevented. The access property is superior in the variable speed. Therefore, the practical effects are large.

Although the present invention has been fully described by way of example with reference to the accompanying drawings, it is to be noted here that various changes and modifications will be apparent to those skilled in the art. Therefore, unless otherwise such changes and modifications depart from the scope of the present invention, they should be construed as included therein.

Claims

1. A tape driving apparatus in a tape medium record reproducing apparatus for controlling the supply reel motor torque in accordance with the torque information Q_s with the acceleration compensating torque information CMPT and the back torque information Q_b being added in it, comprising,

a supply reel diameter detecting means for detecting the radius information R_s of a supply reel,

a winding reel diameter detecting means for detecting the radius information R_T of the winding reel,

a supply reel inertia operating means for computing the information J_s corresponding to the inertia of the supply reel in accordance with the radius information R_s of the supply reel,

a winding reel inertia operating means for computing the information J_T corresponding to the inertia of the winding reel in accordance with the radius information R_T of the winding reel,

a winding reel acceleration, deceleration torque detecting means for detecting the information ACCT proportional to the torque amount spent in the acceleration, deceleration of the winding reel,

a winding reel acceleration compensating torque computing means for computing the acceleration compensating torque information CMPT corresponding to the acceleration, deceleration of the winding reel with the use of the radius information R_s , R_T of both the reels, the inertia information J_s , J_T of both the reels, the winding reel acceleration, deceleration torque information ACCT,

a back torque computing means for computing the back torque information Q_b proportional to the radius information R_s of the supply reel,

an adding means for adding the back torque information Q_b to the acceleration compensating torque information CMPT.

2. A tape driving apparatus in a tape medium record reproducing apparatus described in accordance with the claim 1, wherein the winding reel acceleration, deceleration torque detecting means is composed of an up, down counter which is adapted to increase, decreases the value in accordance with the tape speed information as the target and the difference of the tape speed to be actually detected, the sampled value of the up down counter value for each constant time period is outputted as the winding reel acceleration, deceleration torque information so that the value of the up

down counter is adapted to be initialized after the output operation.

3. A tape driving apparatus in a tape medium record reproducing apparatus wherein the second up down counter samples the counter value for each constant time, the counter information is outputted to the adding means, the counter value is operated to be initialized after the output operation, the winding side reel motor torque is adapted to be controlled in accordance with the output information of the adding means, comprising,

a tape speed reference pulse generator for generating the pulse of the frequency proportional to the tape speed as an object,

a tape speed detector for detecting the actual tape speed,

first, second up down counters for increasing, decreasing the values in accordance with the tape speed information as the object and the difference of the tape speed to be actually detected,

an adding means for adding the output information Q_{T1} of the first up down counter and the output information Q_{T2} of the second up down counter.

4. A tape driving apparatus in a tape medium record reproducing apparatus described in accordance with the claim 3, wherein the tape speed detector is adapted to effect a detecting operation with the use of the total information of the frequency information f_s proportional to the rotation of the supply reel and of the frequency information f_t proportional to the rotation of the winding reel.

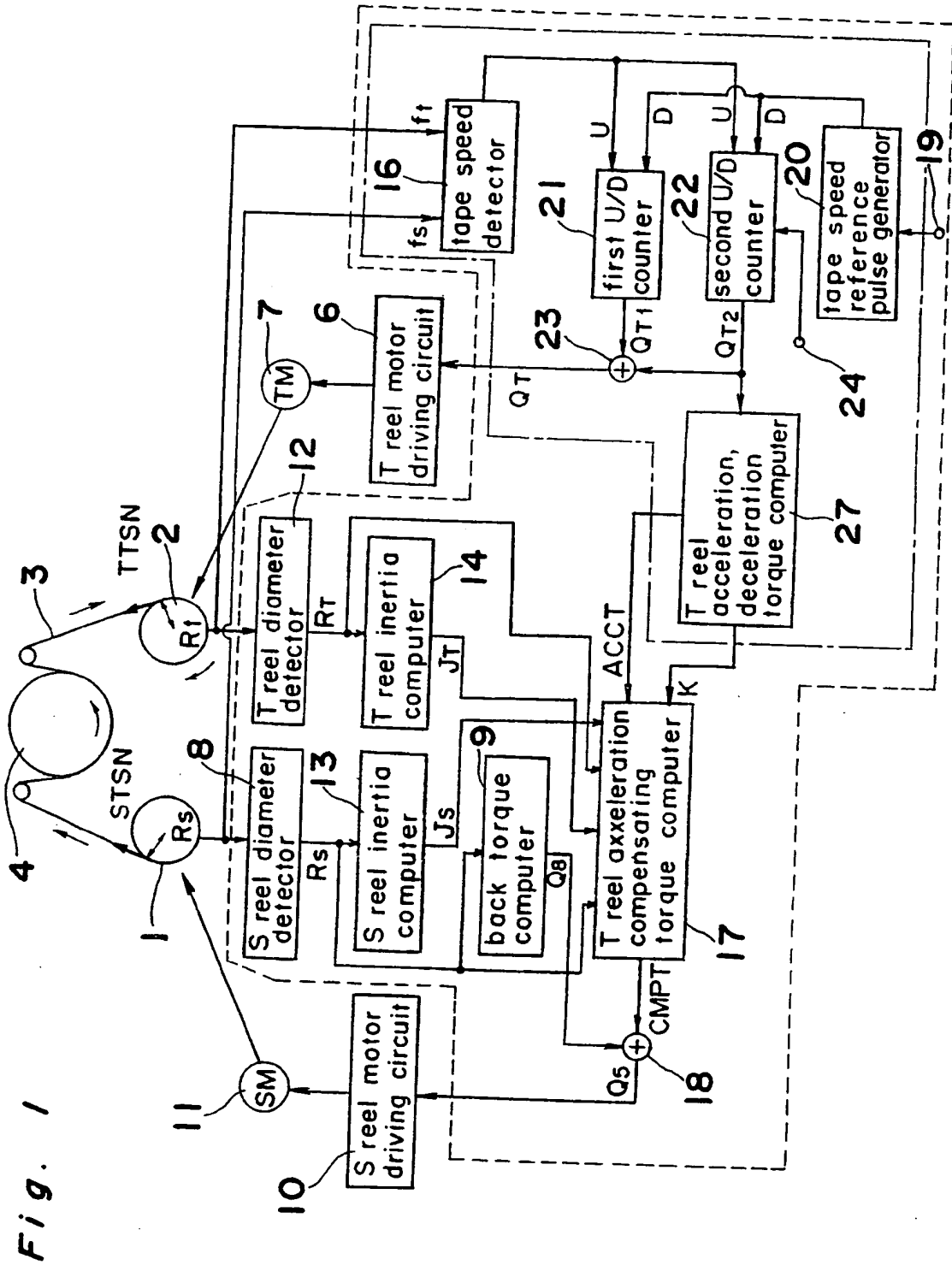


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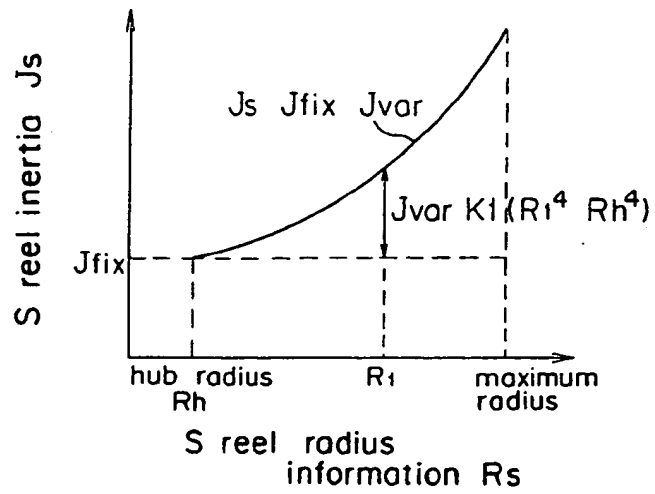


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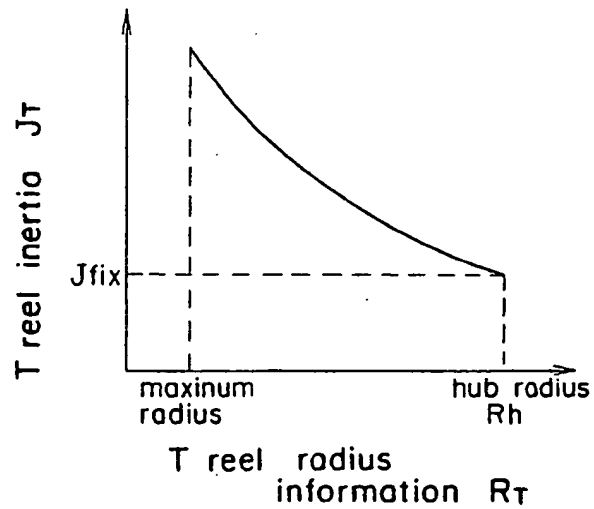


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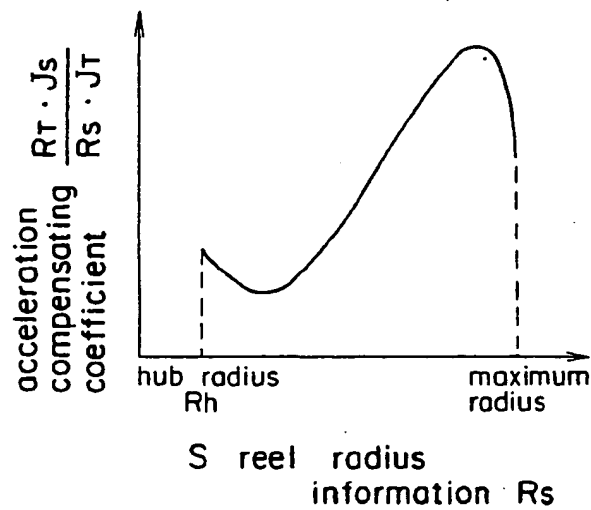


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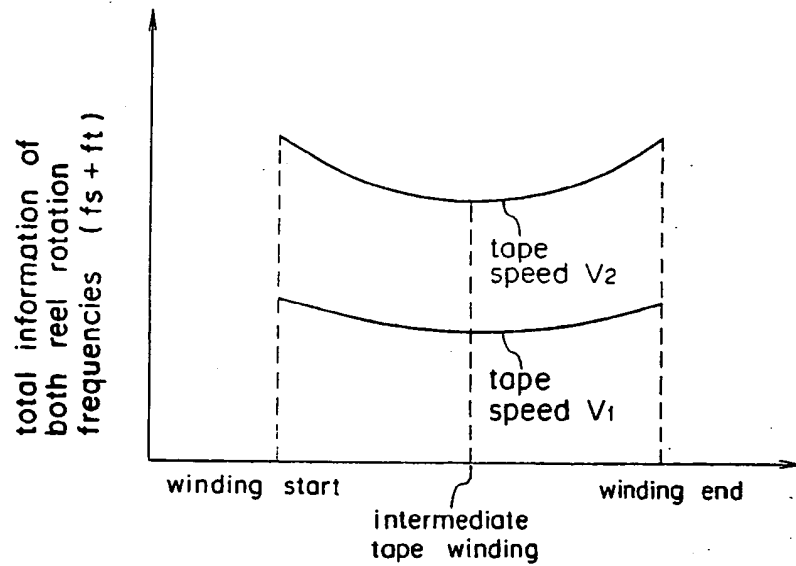


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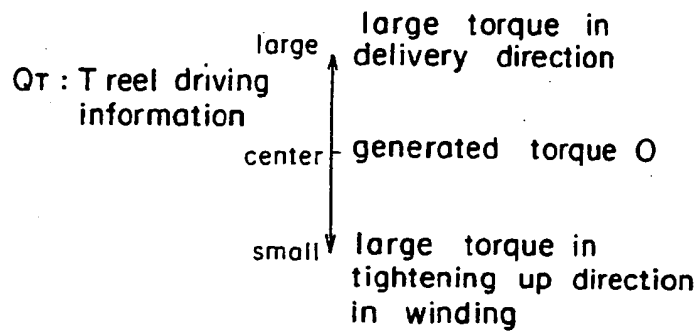


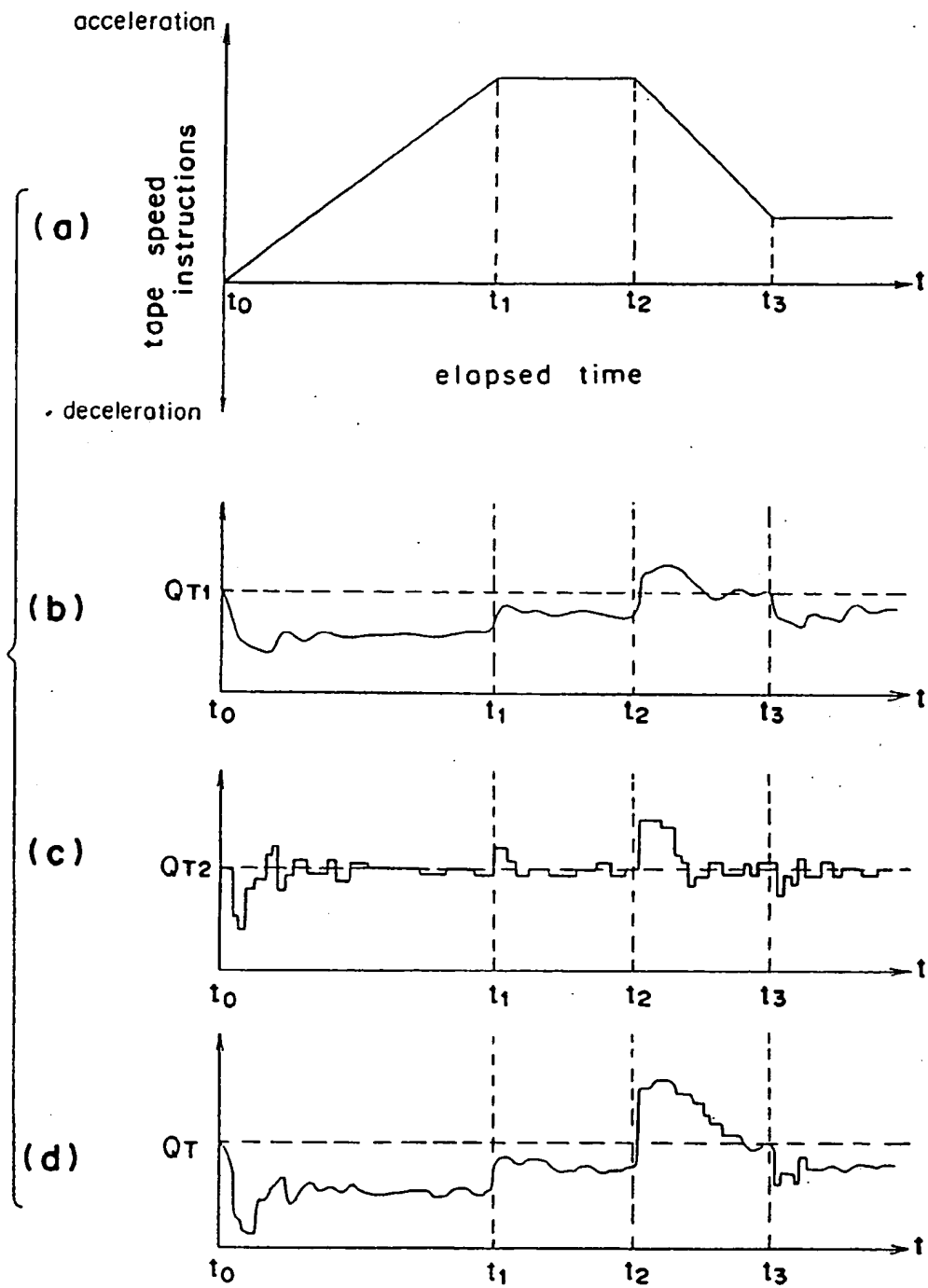
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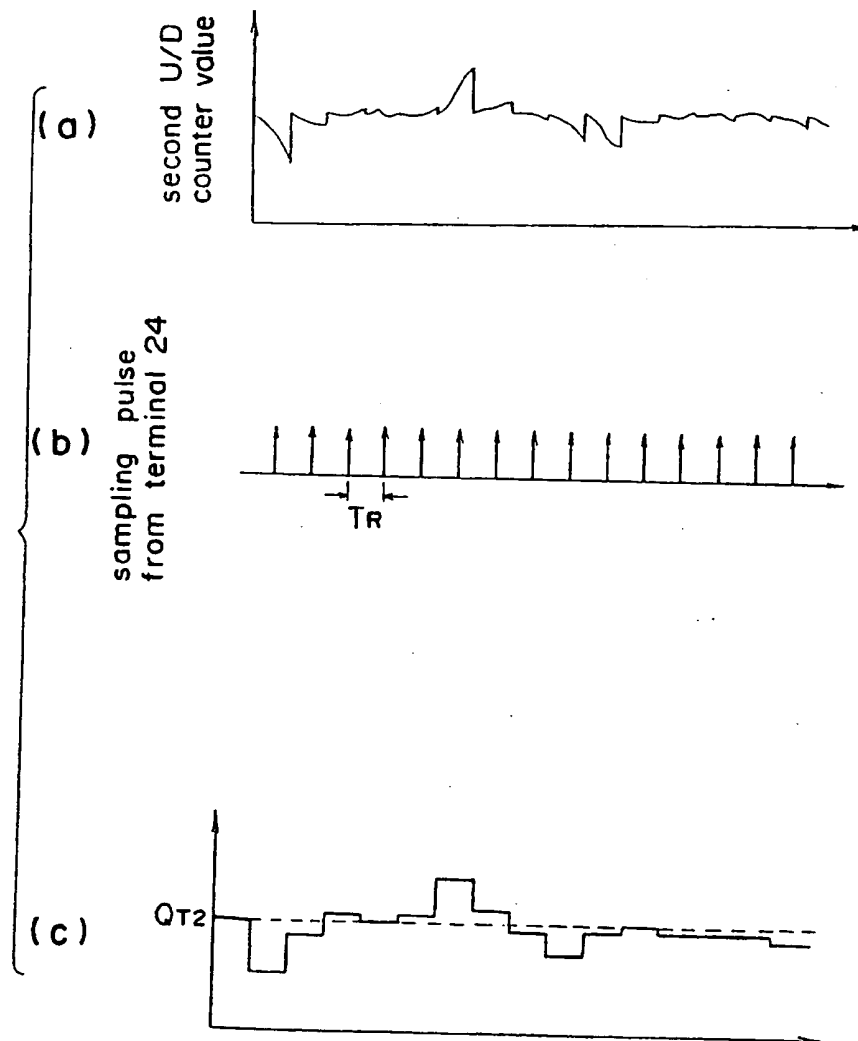
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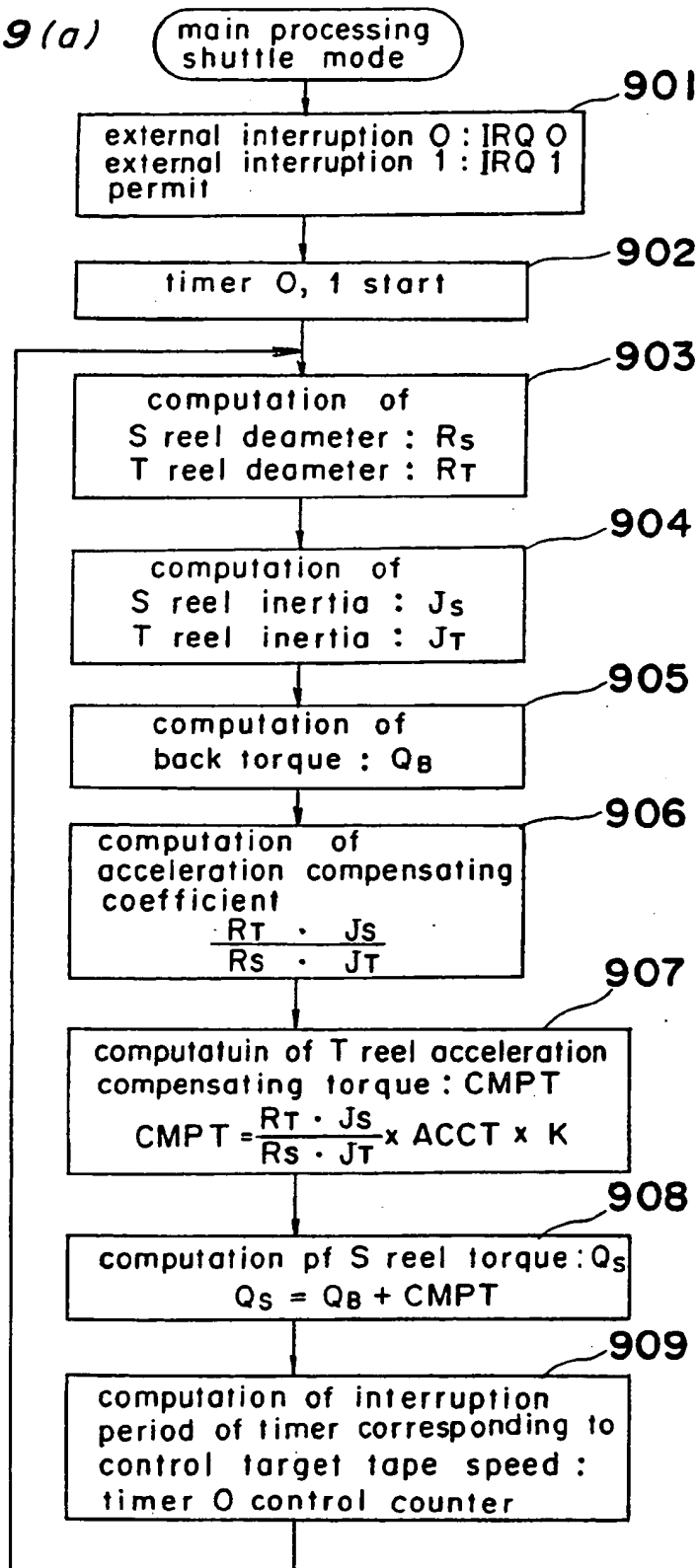


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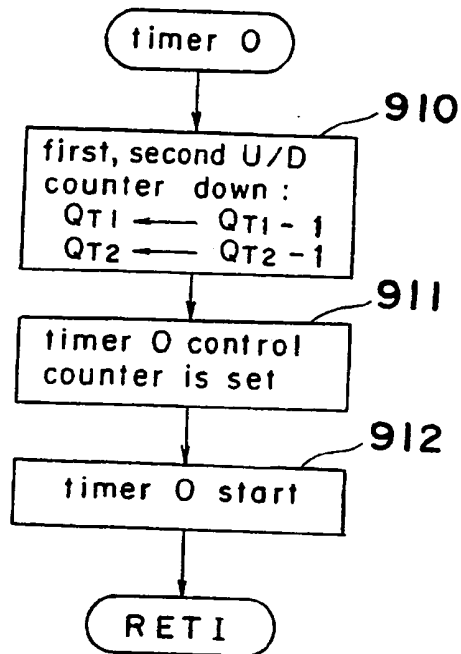


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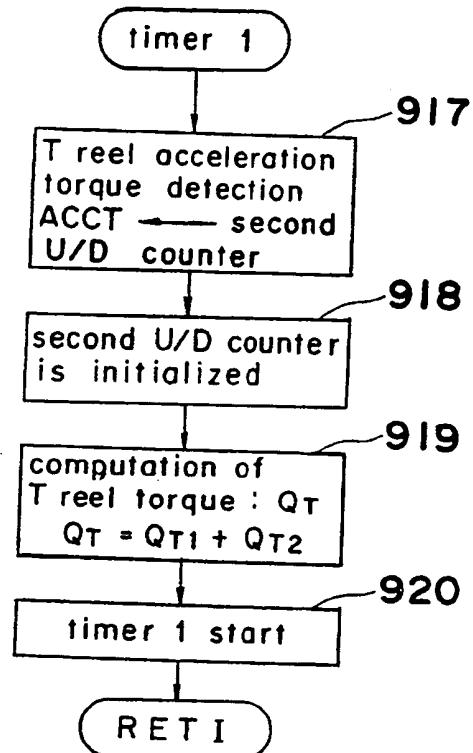


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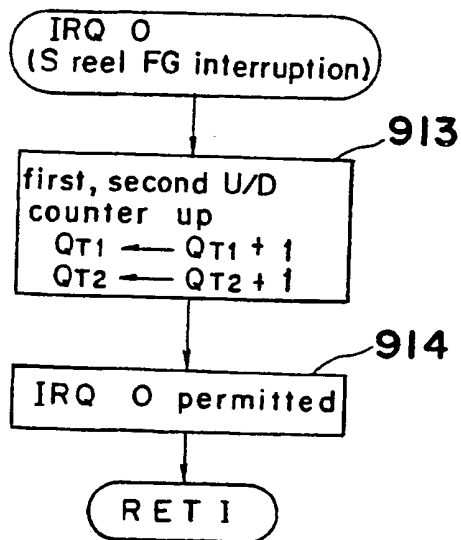


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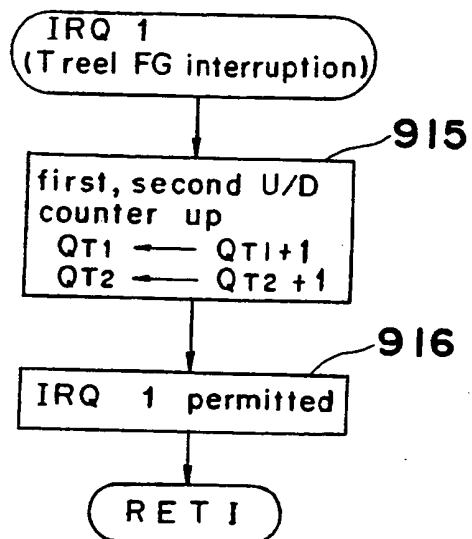


Fig. 10

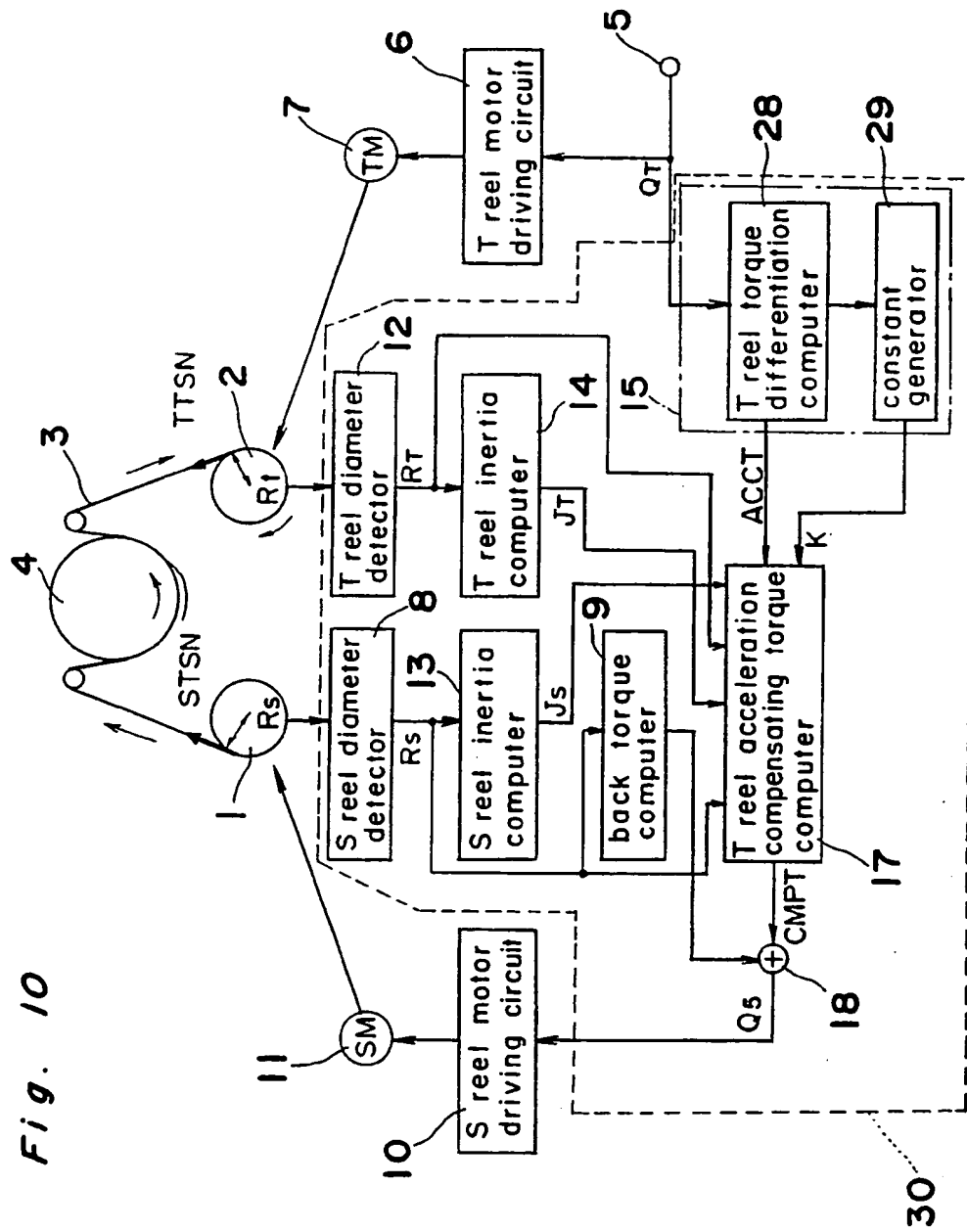
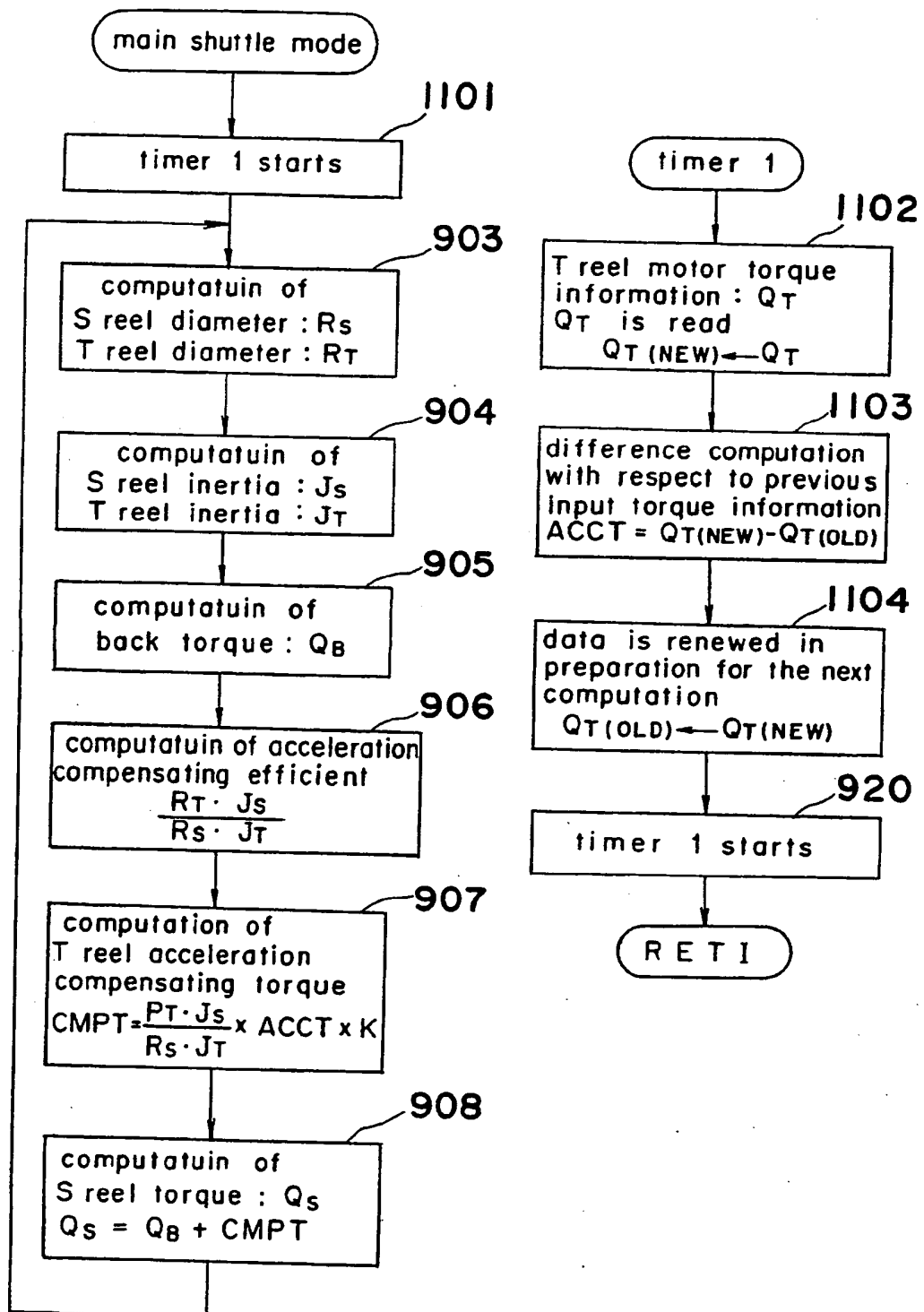


Fig. 11





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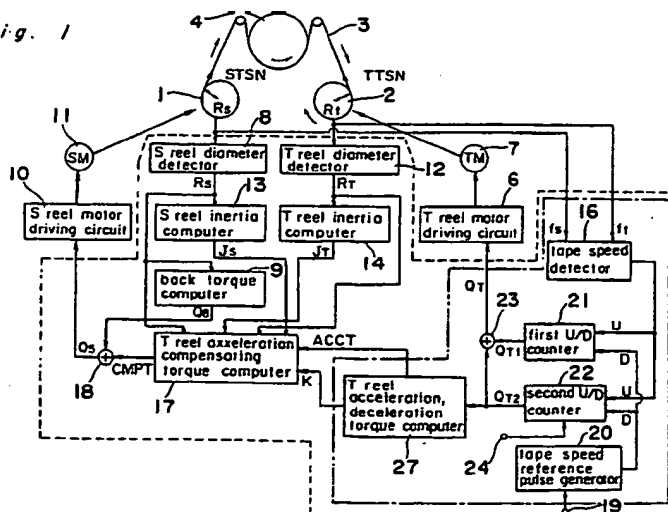
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⑤④ Tape driving apparatus for tape medium record reproducing apparatus.

(57) The present invention is provided both the S, T reel diameter detectors so as to compute the inertia of both the reels, wherein the acceleration, deceleration torque information spent in the acceleration, deceleration of the T reel is detected from the T reel torque information so as to compute the T reel acceleration, deceleration compensating torque from

the acceleration, deceleration torque information, both the reel diameters, the inertia information, and the S reel torque is controlled with the information with the computed results and the back torque information proportional to the S reel diameter being added in it. Thus improving the access property of the tape.

Fig. 1





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